

**AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS**

Claims 1-22 are original.

Claims 1, 6, 9 and 16 are currently amended.

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A self-storing pocketed beach towel comprising:

- (a) a towel having a first and a second face;
- (b) a plurality of pockets, each including at least one closure device, and each affixed to said first face of said towel;
- (c) at least one two-chambered compartment, including at least one closure device, and affixed to said first face of said towel, and adapted to store said towel when folded therein;
- (d) at least one fastening device, affixed to said first face of said towel, adapted for the fastening of said towel to other devices or objects; and
- (e) at least one adjustable carrying strap, to thereby provide a means of transporting said towel.

2. (Original) The towel of claim 1, wherein said at least one closure device is selected from the group consisting of a hook and loop device, a button device, a snap device, and a zipper device.

3. (Original) The towel of claim 1, wherein said at least one fastening device is selected from the group consisting of a hook and loop device, a button device, a snap device, and a zipper device.

4. (Original) The towel of claim 1, wherein at least one of the said plurality of pockets further comprises a waterproof lining.
5. (Original) The towel of claim 1, wherein at least one of said plurality of pockets comprises a resealable waterproof container.
6. (Currently Amended) The towel of claim 1, wherein said ~~anchoring device~~ fastening device comprises a length of rope or twine.
7. (Original) The towel of claim 1, wherein a sand-resistant bottom material is affixed to said second face of the towel.
8. (Original) The towel of claim 7, wherein said sand-resistant material comprises nylon.
9. (Currently Amended) A self-storing beach towel adapted for securing to a support surface, comprising:
- (a) a first piece of substantially flexible, durable, machine-washable textile-like material having a first face and a second face;
  - (b) a plurality of pockets, each including at least one closure device, and each attached to said first face of said first piece of material at an edge thereof, for the receiving of material therein to anchor said first piece of material to the support surface;

(c) at least one two-chambered pillow compartment, including at least one closure device and attached to said first face of said towel at one edge thereof, adapted for the storage of said beach towel and for the receiving of material therein to thereby serve as a pillow; and

(d) at least one fastening device, attached to either said first face or said second face of said first piece of material at an edge thereof, adapted for fastening said beach towel to other objects or itself to create a tube-like or sleeping bag-like device.

10. (Original) The towel of claim 9, wherein each of said plurality of pockets comprises:

(a) a second piece of substantially flexible, durable, machine-washable textile-like material having an interim access opening therein and attached to said first face of said first piece of material, thereby creating a pocket between the said first and second pieces of material which may be accessed by said interim access opening; and

(b) a third piece of substantially flexible, durable, machine-washable material attached to said first face of said first piece of material and adapted to anchor said beach towel to other objects.

11. (Original) The towel of claim 9, wherein each of said two-chambered pillow compartments comprises a second and third piece of substantially flexible, durable, machine-washable textile-like material, each having a first and a second face, each having an interim access opening therein and each attached to said first piece of material, thereby creating a two-chambered pillow compartment between said first and said second and third pieces of material of said two-chambered pillow compartments.

12. (Original) The towel of claim 9, wherein said at least one closure device is selected from the group consisting of hook and loop device, a button device, a snap device, and a zipper device.

13. (Original) The towel of claim 9, wherein said at least one fastening device is selected from the group consisting of a hook and loop device, a button device, a snap device, and a zipper device.

14. (Original) The towel of claim 9, wherein at least one of the said plurality of pockets further comprises a waterproof lining.

15. (Original) The towel of claim 9, wherein at least one of said plurality of pockets comprises a resealable waterproof container.

16. (Currently Amended) The towel of claim 9, wherein said ~~anchoring device~~ fastening device comprises a length of rope or twine.

17. (Original) The towel of claim 9, wherein a sand-resistant bottom material is affixed to said second face of the towel.

18. (Original) The towel of claim 17, wherein said sand-resistant material comprises nylon.

19. (Original) The towel of claim 1 wherein the at least one adjustable carrying strap is affixed to the underside of the back margin of the compartment to thereby provide a means of transporting said towel.

20. (Original) The towel of claim 1 wherein the at least one adjustable carrying strap is affixed to the inner surface of the back margin of the compartment to thereby provide a means of transporting said towel.

21. (Original) The towel of claim 11 wherein at least one adjustable carrying strap is affixed to said second face of said third piece of said two-chambered pillow compartment to thereby provide a means of transporting said towel.

22. (Original) The towel of claim 11 wherein at least one adjustable carrying strap is affixed to said first face of said third piece of said two-chambered pillow compartment to thereby provide a means of transporting said towel.